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South Carolina could host the women's basketball tournament in 2015, but the flag still waves



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After being removed from the top of the building's dome, the Confederate flag continues to spur controversy.

NCAA rule change could let Columbia host future postseason play

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USC SCHOOL OF JOURNALISM

Lonnie Randolph Jr., South Carolina NAACP president, said he believes in equality and justice.

But, after learning about an NCAA decision that will allow South Carolina to host women's basketball tournaments despite the Confederate flag that flies on the State House grounds, Randolph realized that a "Confederate way of thinking" still prevails.

The NCAA last fall changed the format of the women's basketball tournament, letting the top 16 seeds start the tournament at home. That would allow the South Carolina women's basketball team to host tournament games despite the NCAA's Confederate flag ban. The new format starts in 2015.

"The decision is a Band-Aid to justice," Randolph said. "Life should be about equality and fairness — not about economics. The NCAA has a responsibility to promote fairness. I do not like

how it changed for the women's team because of the money issue."

Under the current system, the USC women's basketball team can't play an NCAA tournament game in Columbia because the flag flies in front of the State House on Gervais Street. Since 2001, the NCAA has banned the states of South Carolina and Mississippi from hosting postseason events that have predetermined sites because the Confederate flag is in a prominent position on statehouse grounds.

While the recent decision allows the women's team to host, the men's team still cannot. The top 16 women's basketball team seeds will be granted host sites based on merit, but the men's tournament will still be kept out of the state because its sites are chosen before the tournament field is set.

The women's team is ranked

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— Lonnie Randolph Jr.,
South Carolina NAACP President

No. 4 in the nation by The Associated Press; if the new tournament format was in place this year, the Gamecocks would host. Prospects for next year look good, too, as coach Dawn Staley is expected to bring in a top recruiting class.

Staley could not be reached for comment Tuesday, but in an interview with The Daily Gamecock in 2012, she said the flag offended her because it affected her job.

"I understand the history here in South Carolina," Staley said. "It's not my history, but it's somebody's history. I think it prevents us, and it prevents me from doing my job in a place that I choose to call home. If it creates an opportunity for us not to have [an NCAA tournament game at home], then yes, I'm offended."

Staley told The State newspaper this week that home-court advantage in the postseason would help the team.

"If your body of work says that you get to host the first and second round, I think that's deserving," she said. "We would love to be in

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Congressman Jim Clyburn explains all of the steps he took to make a career on Capitol Hill.

Clyburn discusses life story, career with Student Government

Congressman offers students advice on leadership, failure

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At the age of 12, Rep. James Clyburn was the president of his NAACP youth chapter. Now, Clyburn is the assistant Democratic leader in the 113th Congress.

Clyburn, D-S.C., joined Student Government members Tuesday night in the Hollings Special Collections Library to share stories about his life and accomplishments and to answer student questions.

Clyburn began by telling students about his background, saying he was born in Sumter to a father who was a minister and a mother who was a beautician. Both of his parents were active and involved in the community.

"Every morning we had to recite a Bible verse," Clyburn said, "and every night we had to share one current event."

At a young age, Clyburn became involved in the civil rights movement, leading him to join a sit-in demonstration in college, at South Carolina State University. When he was arrested for his participation, he met his wife Emily in jail.

Continuing his involvement in civil

CLYBURN • 3

Sugary battle encourages student creativity

Carolina Dining hosts cupcake decorating competition

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As students hurriedly squirted colored icing and carefully placed rainbow sprinkles on oversized cupcakes, the clock was ticking and the battle was on.

"One more minute!"

The 12 teams of students were competing in the Create the Cake contest on Tuesday night, sponsored by Sodexo and General Mills. Alexis Mood, a third-year advertising student and student promotions coordinator for Sodexo, said there was an overwhelming response by students hoping to participate in this year's competition.

"Over 60 people responded to our email," Mood said. "We only had 12 cupcakes, so we made it a team effort this year."

Mood said this is the fourth time the competition has been held, and she said it has grown over the years, with students from different backgrounds and interests hoping to turn a cupcake into a masterpiece.

Once they heard an "on your mark, get



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Teams of students hurry to finish icing and decorating their giant cupcakes at the Gibbs Court Bistro on Tuesday night.

CUPCAKE • 3

IN BRIEF

Pet shelter to raise fees, become no-kill

The city animal shelter announced to a city committee on Tuesday morning that it will try to become a no-kill shelter and that it will increase fees for unsterilized pets, The State reported.

The shelter takes in about 11,000 cats and dogs each year, and 63 percent of the shelter's pets are euthanized, said Marli Drum, superintendent of the city's animal services.

To reach its no-kill goal, shelter officials are proposing a plan to double the fee for residents who own pets that are not spayed or neutered. The fee would be \$50.

The shelter hopes to achieve a live release rate of 70 percent or greater, but Drum said it's impossible to become 100 percent no-kill, because some animals are too injured, aggressive or sick.

—*Sarah Martin, Assistant News Editor*

Police charge teen with murder after stabbing

A Lexington teen has been charged with murder following the death of a Dutch Fork High School student, The State reported.

Kierin Marcellus Dennis, 18, is charged with murder and possession of a deadly weapon during the commission of a violent crime.

Da'Von Nathaniel Capers, 17, of Irmo, was stabbed Monday night after the Dutch Fork High School boys basketball team beat Lexington High School. Tensions were high at the game, and a Lexington High student held a sign that said "ThugFork."

Students were escorted to their cars by police after the game, and officers ensured that the Dutch Fork and Lexington students left through different exits.

Lexington/Richland District 5 held a moment of silence for Capers before Tuesday's Dutch Fork-North Augusta game.

—*Sarah Martin, Assistant News Editor*

Arts funding to remain steady with new stadium

Mayor Steve Benjamin announced Tuesday that Columbia's arts community should not worry that a publicly funded baseball stadium would cut into taxpayer money for cultural organizations, The State reported.

Those organizations say they are worried that they would receive less money if the city approves a \$24 million-to-\$30 million loan for the stadium that would be paid off with meal taxes. Benjamin assured the crowd that he would not support any reduction in funding and that a "supermajority" of council members agree with him.

Jennifer Suber of the Devine Street Association asked for a face-to-face meeting with the mayor and said that merchants have "strong opinions" about the construction of a ballpark.

Benjamin then warned her against finding misinformation about the project on the Internet.

—*Sarah Martin, Assistant News Editor*

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that number to play in Colonial Life Arena because if you go by our fan support, if we host the NCAA games, I think Gamecock nation will come out and support us in large numbers. Kudos to the change of the legislation to allow that to happen."

While Staley is happy with the change, Randolph said he's "disappointed."

He said he strives to make his home state one he can be proud of by working with the community to treat every citizen equally, unlike his inequality his ancestors faced.

But when Randolph looks at the Confederate flag, he thinks about the injustices his family faced. Before 1964, he would not have been able to sit in front of a local coffee shop among white customers.

Randolph said the NCAA decision is based on economics rather than what is right. According to an NCAA.com release, the committee decided that allowing the top 16 seeds to host on the first weekend would enhance the student-athlete experience by potentially drawing more fans.

Randolph said he doesn't consider the reformatting a blow to the NAACP's quest to have the flag come down from the State House's grounds because the men's tournament generates more economic impact.

Scott Callison, senior vice president of administration at the Greater Columbia Chamber of Commerce, said any event like a tournament brings in tourism.

"It definitely benefits merchants, restaurants, museums and other tourist stops," he said.

Randolph said he and three fellow NAACP presidents will "make some noise" at next month's region meeting in Atlanta, where the new tournament format is up for discussion.

"The goals are the same height for all players," Randolph said. "The field is the same length for all players. The ball is the same size. The NCAA has a responsibility to promote fairness in a way that no other group does. We expect that from them and to be serious about this. I really don't like the way they did this."

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Coach Dawn Staley has said she supports the changes the NCAA has planned for 2015. Columbia has been blocked from hosted postseason play because of the flag.






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rights demonstrations, the congressman helped to organize other marches and protests during his time at S.C. State.

“Doing those sit-ins, I formed some notions about who and what I was,” Clyburn said.

Clyburn was also involved in the landmark case for breach of peace, *Edwards v. South Carolina*, where he and 186 others were arrested.

Clyburn also spoke about how he was first elected to Congress in 1993. He began as co-president of his freshmen class, was elected chairman of the Congressional Black Caucus in 1999 and was elected as House Democratic caucus vice chair in 2002. In 2006, Clyburn became the House majority whip.

He currently represents the sixth district of South Carolina, is the leadership liaison to the House Appropriations Committee and

is one of the Democratic caucus’s primary liaisons to the White House. He has also worked on committees helping to support the development of regional water centers, broadband connections and education.

Wrapping up his lecture, Clyburn answered questions on racism, immigrations and other topics, saying that race issues will never go away, but should never be ignored. Speaking about current law that could make it more difficult for minorities to vote, Clyburn said, “It has been around, and it will stay around.”

Clyburn then left the audience with three pieces of advice: that good education leads to good manners, that they should be respectful of the people they lead and that no matter how many times you try and fail, you should always stick to the state motto, “While I breathe, I hope.”

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Cupcake • Continued from 1

set, go!” competitors were given 10 minutes to decorate their cupcakes with icing and sprinkles of all different colors;the end results included stripes, polka dots, swirls and rainbow smears.

“We want to give students something to do, and show them that Carolina Dining is here for them,” Mood said.

The cupcake decorations aren’t judged by a panel of dessert experts, but rather by friends and family members online. After the clock ran out and the competition wrapped up, pictures of each creation were taken and posted on Facebook. Those pictures will remain online for two days, and anyone who views the

photos can vote for their favorite.

The first-place team will receive a gift card, and the first and second runners-up will also receive prizes.

“We also have something special for all contestants,” Mood said.

Mood said she believes the contest will continue to grow in popularity over the next few years and that the crowd of people watching and cheering at Gibbes Court Bistro will, too.

“We really appreciate peoples’ receptiveness and appreciate students’ response to the contest,” Mood said. “We think it’s a great way for them to get involved with Carolina Dining.”

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Basketball team shouldn't shoulder flag criticism

ISSUE
USC can now host post-season basketball games.

OUR STANCE
It'll take more than sports to take down the flag.

Time and time again, our generation has championed equality and tolerance. Young people have fought for same-sex marriage rights, for more equitable income distribution and for further progress toward racial and gender equality.

So it seems more discordant than ever for the Confederate flag to fly at the State House as it has for years. We've said it before, and we'll continue to repeat it: The flag needs to come down. It has been long enough.

But it's important, too, to make sure that the ongoing efforts to take it down don't bring others down with it.

That is, opposition to the flag is well justified and merited, but let's not hurt others in the crossfire.

The NCAA has banned states that present the Confederate flag prominently — that is, South Carolina and Mississippi — from being predestinated hosts for postseason play.

The result is that a program on the rise, South Carolina's women's basketball team, hasn't been able to host any NCAA tournament games. The team is expected to be a No. 1 seed in this year's tournament, but instead of playing close to home, they'll likely play miles, states, even time zones away.

That will change next year, when the women's basketball tournament will the top 16 seeds

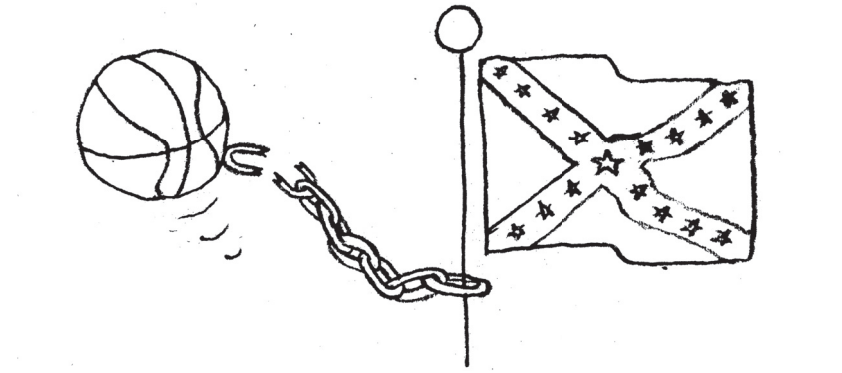


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a chance to start postseason play at home. If next year matches this season, that means the tournament is coming to Columbia.

That's good news for the team, but not necessarily the effort to take down the flag.

Even though the flag will no longer hinder the women's basketball team's tournament schedule, the conversation about removing it should not end.

The threat to our basketball team's postseason play certainly placed added pressure on our state to remove the Confederate

“Just because the flag will no longer hinder the women's basketball team's tournament schedule doesn't mean the conversation to remove the flag should end altogether.”

flag, but a basketball team's play is a minor consideration compared to the hatred and hurt the flag represents for so many South Carolinians.

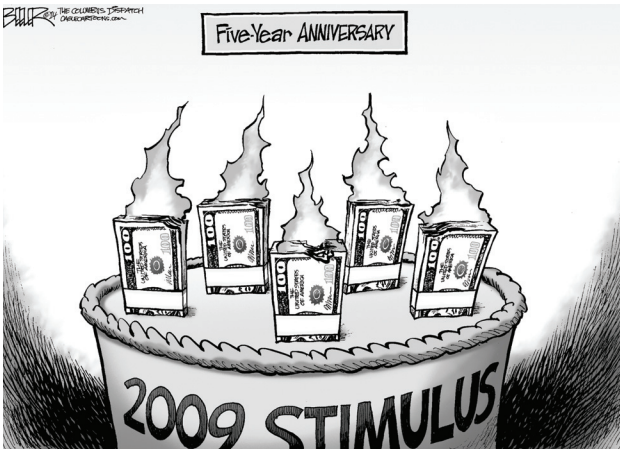
There's no need to entangle the two.

The flag will eventually be taken down, perhaps when our generation takes the reins at the State House, but we hope it will happen sooner.

We understand the heritage many insist the flag represents. We more easily understand the dark history many more say it represents.

The removal of a relatively minor hindrance to a team shouldn't mean that this conversation should fall to the wayside. It will take much more collective soul-searching and reflection for the Confederate flag to be taken down, and that process shouldn't stop.

In other words, it will take much more than the difference between a home game and an away game to carry out what's long overdue.



Judicial activism necessary element of judges' role

Change sometimes must first come from the courts

The debate over the separation of powers in the government is never-ending. When a member of one party is elected to the White House, the other party is quick to accuse the new president of overstepping his authority as head of the executive branch.

Such accusations aren't limited to the president, however, as other officials, such as judges, are often accused of doing the same.

This has become more prevalent recently with the growing number of court rulings striking down part or all of states' bans on same-sex marriage.

Social conservatives denounce these rulings as being politically motivated or as efforts by judges to push their own agendas, which is not only disappointing, but also often untrue. “Judicial activism,” as it's called by opponents, is really one of the most powerful tools to correct injustices available today.

The debate over same-sex marriage is a perfect example of how judges can positively impact the lives of thousands of people. Over the last decade and a half, voters in 31 states approved demeaning and discriminatory constitutional amendments that prohibited same-sex couples from marrying.

As a result of these amendments, legislatures friendly to gay rights, such as California's, couldn't extend the right to marry to all people. Despite this obstacle, same-sex couples there eventually gained the right to marry last June when the Supreme Court ruled in their favor.

Since then, a handful of lower federal courts have also ruled in favor of same-sex marriage. The amendments in Utah, Oklahoma and Virginia were struck down, and states like Kentucky and Ohio saw their bans weakened. State courts in New Jersey and New Mexico reached similar conclusions.

Thanks to groups such as the ACLU, who have filed lawsuits against other state's bans, more courts will soon follow.

Without judicial activism, discrimination would have endured in those states. With judicial activism, those states and more are poised to allow people to marry regardless of sexual orientation, and when all 50 states do, so-called activist judges will be largely to thank for that tremendous milestone.



Chad Brown
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Meme's overruse sparks frustration

'Keep calm' posts have diluted creative output

I don't want to keep calm anymore, and telling someone to keep calm is easily one of the worst tactics to use in an argument. I can promise you it will undoubtedly incite rage that may have not been fully formed before uttering those terrible words, but by the end of your sentence, the anger will be unmistakable.

I'm certain I'm not the only one that feels this way, so why is this phrase the only thing people think is viable or interesting when advertising student housing, clubs, organizations or companies?

“Keep calm and _____ on” is the biggest creative cop out of these past few years and probably the laziest meme of all time. Then again, I'm probably just this upset because people keep telling me not to be.

While there are many

contenders for the spot of most popular way to “carry on,” most resort to advising someone to eat a dessert of some sort, call a superhero or, most redundantly, “don't stress.”

I'm not sure people even know why the saying became popular, but it's older than Batman and zombies.

The original poster was red with white lettering and said, “Keep Calm, and Carry On” with a British crown at the top signifying the royal family's endorsement. This was pre-war propaganda intended to boost the public's morale while they sat and waited for the air strikes that would draw their nation into World War II.

So how has this translated into “Keep Calm, and Cupcake

On,” or “Stay Alive, and Avoid Zombies”? To be honest, I'm not even sure how to cupcake on. Do I bake some, eat some and spread them all over my body?

It's a common saying that those who forget the past are doomed to repeat it. Maybe this is how today's advertisement experts and graphic designers want to spare us from any unsavory world wars or military attacks.

But if it's not, hopefully I can keep calm long enough for the onslaught to be over. Maybe a change in the all capital letters would make me feel more calmed and less yelled at to do whatever comes next.

With enough creative minds around, this should wind up in the clearance bins of Hot Topic and Wal-Mart soon enough. Until then I'm going to figure this whole cupcake thing out.



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Netflix combats lack of good comedy

Bizarre Greek film, profane British satire among offerings

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There has been a lack of quality mainstream comedy films in the last few years, but there’s still good comedy to be had. You might just have to head over to Netflix to find it. Here are some under-the-radar films available for streaming on Netflix right now that provide big laughs:

‘In the Loop’ (2009, Armando Iannucci)

Easily one of the sharpest comedies in years, “In the Loop” is a profane, cynical political satire that does not give one much hope in the leaders of the world. The film is based on the British television series “The Thick of It” (available on Hulu), also created by Armando Iannucci, who went on to make the similar HBO series “Veep.” The feature film follows the backroom meetings and squabbles between the British and the Americans as they try to avoid war. The late James Gandolfini (“The Sopranos”) gets to show his comic side, which he so rarely got to use in a supporting role, as an American general. Peter Capaldi, the new Doctor Who, plays Malcolm Tucker, a vicious character who spouts some of the film’s most creatively vile and profane dialogue, most of which cannot be reprinted here. For those who like mean, barbed comedy, this is a riot. It was rightfully nominated for the Academy Award for Best Adapted Screenplay.

‘Dogtooth’ (2009, Giorgos Lanthimos)

It is shocking that this dark, Greek comedy was nominated for the Academy Award for Best Foreign Language Film, because the films nominated in that category are usually deeply serious films about the Holocaust (“In Darkness”), illness (“Amour”) or other dark themes. David Lynch called the film “a



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‘Tabloid’ — a crazy, British, sex-in-chains documentary and satire on a tabloid story — is one of the funniest films on Netflix.

fantastic comedy,” which offers an idea of what kind of film viewers can expect. A father and mother have three children that they have never let leave the house. They have a tall wall surrounding their entire house, and they have been told lies about the outside world their whole lives. No logical explanation is given to the children or the audience as to why they do this. They have even lied about the true meaning of words; they call the chair in the living room, for example, the sea. There are many times in the film when viewers don’t know if laughter is an appropriate response. The children, who are becoming young adults, have a warped knowledge of human sexuality, which takes them to perverse and awkward places. It is a disturbing and extremely

weird comedy that borders on horror. The ending is especially hilarious and chilling. **‘Tabloid’ (2010, Errol Morris)** Oscar-winning filmmaker Errol Morris has tackled serious issues like the Vietnam War and Abu Ghraib in his documentaries, but he has also shown the world an array of oddball people who provide captivating and hilarious interviews. This documentary tells the wild story of Joyce McKinney, a former small town beauty queen who fell madly (and madly is the right word) in love with a Mormon man in the 1970s. After they dated awhile, she was brainwashed by the Mormon church and believed that he had been kidnapped and taken to England. She kidnapped him herself, chained him up in a

cottage and reportedly raped him over the course of three days. The story became a tabloid sensation, and the facts just got stranger as the story unfolded. Only six or seven people are interviewed in the 87-minute film, and they talk directly into the camera in Morris’s typical style. He does not narrate or directly comment on what his subjects say. He simply lets each of them tell their version of the story. McKinney is a fascinating person, and her explanation of the events is unbelievable, screamingly funny and surprisingly poignant and sad. “Tabloid” is one of the funniest and most confounding films — documentary or narrative — in years. Keep watching through the end credits.

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Feeling lonely? Now, you can have a digital Japanese girl stare at you all day long. Watching Cute Girl’s official website recommends using her as inspiration for when you work out or as a dining partner for when you eat alone. She’ll whisper sweet nothings to you, giggle if you speak in a happy tone and get mad if you jolt your phone. You can judge, but watch that new Joaquin Phoenix movie before you do.

iLickit (\$1.99)

iLickit is the first app you can play with your tongue, according to the app’s official website. An angry Grandma appears on the screen, and using a “special tongue-optimized engine,” you’ll have to meet her demands that you lap up her cooking, like Chinese food and pasta. But make sure you eat a dessert of chocolate and ice cream, too.

Passion (\$0.99)

I’ve always wondered how good I was in bed, but I always get a look of disappointment and a motion to leave before I can ask. Luckily, there’s an app that rates users’ skills for them. The Passion app calculates a session’s duration, strength of orgasm and activity level. The readings are then compiled to produce an overall score out of 10 and shared on an online leaderboard, so users can see how they stack up with the rest of the world. The app uses the iPhone’s built-in microphone and accelerometer to measure your abilities, so as long as you go in jackhammer mode and scream loudly for 15 minutes (that is what makes good sex, right?), you’ll have a good shot of logging a top score.

Five wonderfully weird apps

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Poo Log (\$0.99)

Eating like most college students do can wreak havoc on your plumbing. There’s an app that can tell you just how much — Poo Log. Answer a few questions about delivery, size and shape, number of particles, smell, number of wipes and post-poo sentiments, and the app will give you a “Poop Quality Index” score in return. It’ll even let you track trends over time on a “Poo Graph” so you can track your BMs day-to-day. Also, pass the time while you pass your lunch with the “Poo Pastimes” trivia quiz, because the more you know, the better.

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The Passion app rates a user’s skills in bed by using the iPhone’s built-in microphone and accelerometer.

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Taurus

Favor private over public time. Peace and quiet draws you in. Get your main tasks handled so you can rest. You’ll have more fun for the next month, with the sun in Pisces. Save up energy!

Gemini

Use your secret powers. Don’t be intimidated. Your emotions take a soft turn, and conditions seem unstable. Clean house. Rearrange furniture for a better use of space. Save money and watch a movie at home.

Cancer

Travel conditions improve this month, with the sun in Pisces, but surprises still lurk. Consider new developments. Make future plans, and work out the itinerary. Schedule work and reservations carefully. Then enjoy the comforts of home.

Leo

Stay out of a risky investment. Focus on the numbers this month, with the sun in Pisces. Get creative. Finish what you’ve started. The natives are restless. Discuss a theory, and wait a few days for action.

Virgo

New information illuminates. For the next four weeks with the sun in Pisces, grow partnerships stronger. Allow time to rest and regroup. Avoid expense. Listen to your intuition before choosing. The situation can be transformed.

Libra

Check orders for changes. More research may be required. You’re entering a philosophical and spiritual cycle. Work your own program with an optimistic view. Career takes priority this month, with the sun in Pisces. Expand your network.

Scorpio

There’s not enough money for everything you all want. Prioritize, and be fair. For about four weeks, with the sun in Pisces, you’re lucky in love. Generate creative ideas. Contemplate, meditate and recharge your batteries.

Sagittarius

This month, with the sun in Pisces, home has a magnetic pull. Go into hiding, especially if you can work from home. You’re especially sensitive and intuitive. Rest and recuperate. No need to spend. Invite friends over.

Capricorn

Neither a borrower nor a lender be. Do without unnecessary expense. Study and practice what you love for the next month with the sun in Pisces. Step carefully. Travel later. There could be some fierce competition.

Aquarius

For the next four weeks, with the sun in Pisces, you can do well financially, if you can keep from spending it all on good causes. Stay practical. You may not have what you think. Give appreciation.

Pisces

For the next four weeks, with the sun in Pisces, you’re gaining confidence, and you’re at the top of your game. Stay under cover. Think fast and solve a financial problem. Open your mind. Insecurities will pass.



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34 Symbol of Middle America
35 Brain cramp, so to speak
37 Like Schoenberg's "Moses und Aron"
38 Enjoying the mall, say
39 Wyoming's ___ Range
40 Pride of the pumped-up
41 Wagnerian title?
42 Indiana senator who retired in 2011
43 Do something about
48 Island classic
55 1926 novel set in Pamplona
57 1970s Patrick Duffy title
character who can breathe underwater
58 Move sneakily
59 Revealing

8 Only nonrhyming ghost in Ms. Pac-Man
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11 Drop a line, maybe
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15 "Bug off!"
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22 Key of the last Brandenburg concerto
23 Declaim
24 Stop on a line
25 Not open-ended, as a question
26 Flexible weapon
27 Appeals
28 Brio
29 Nice sibling
30 More luxuriant
31 Film that often includes drawings
33 Dramatist O'Casey
34 Some email receivers
36 Opposite of 47-Down

40 Clipper airlines
42 Pro follower
43 Casino conveniences
44 Indian tea
45 Look after
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Gamecocks look to sweep ‘Cats

Women’s basketball has not won in Lexington, Ky., since 2008 season

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When No. 4 South Carolina squared off against No. 15 Kentucky in January, it came in a top-10 showdown at Colonial Life Arena that the Gamecocks used to propel into conference play. South Carolina (23-2, 11-1 SEC) has rallied down the stretch, winning eight of its last nine contests after toppling the Wildcats on Jan. 9. The 31.5 percent of field goal attempts that Kentucky managed to make that night ranks as the second-worst shooting performance by an otherwise-illustrious offense. Now, with a conference championship hanging in the balance, the Gamecocks will try to suppress the Wildcats’ scoring on the road Thursday, and South Carolina will look to win in Lexington, Ky., for the first time since the 2007-08 season.

Kentucky comes into the game stout on offense, averaging 84.1 points per game — good enough to be the 10th best scoring offense in the nation. The Wildcats have broken the 100-point mark six times this season; the most recent was a 108-78 maiming of Ole Miss.

The Wildcats (19-6, 7-5 SEC) feature six players who have scored 200 points or more so far this season, which should test South Carolina’s fourth-best scoring defense.

Jennifer O’Neill leads the team with 336 points so far, including 43 three-pointers, which also leads the team.

Unlike many teams South Carolina has faced so far this season, Kentucky possesses a handful of players who are 6-foot-1 or taller. DeNesha Stallworth, Samantha Drake and Azia Bishop are each listed at 6-foot-3, and Jelleah Sidney is 6-foot-2.

The Gamecocks’ body size has allowed them to outmuscle opponents often this season, mainly in the post. With South Carolina rolling on offense, Kentucky will try to shut down the Gamecocks’ inside game.

“We’re going to play tough. That is what we’re all about,” head coach Dawn Staley said after the Gamecocks’ 68-59 victory earlier this season. “We’re going to make people work for what they want. We just try to take strengths away. We just try to take what Kentucky’s strengths [are], and that’s mainly in transition.”

Freshman Alaina Coates managed a double-double during the last tilt between the two teams, with 10 points and 17 rebounds. However, Elem Ibiam only managed nine points and four rebounds.

By the same token, as much emphasis as Kentucky



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Tiffany Mitchell has received notoriety all season, including a spot on the Naismith Trophy Midseason 30 list.

will need to put on South Carolina’s bigs on offense, the bigger challenge might be scoring on the Gamecocks’ 6-foot-4 behemoths.

Ibiam and Coates posted a combined 10 blocks on Kentucky shooters in the game earlier this season. Their physical prowess will be to their advantage Thursday against O’Neill, who is listed at 5-foot-6, and Janee Thompson, who is 5-foot-7.

“I see it as it’s hard to beat a team twice, let alone the first time,” Coates said. “Of course we’re going in there with a little confidence — you know we beat them the first time — but not arrogance. We’re just

going in there making sure we do what we did last time even better so we can of course get the win.”

In an increasingly impressive run this season, sophomore Tiffany Mitchell was added to the Naismith Trophy Women’s Midseason 30, the organization announced.

Mitchell has been the go-to scorer from the outside this season, leading the Gamecocks in points and tied for the team lead in three-pointers, with 30.

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Team claims 1st in tournament

Gamecocks finish 7 over par, 2 strokes ahead of rival Clemson

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Entering Sunday with a three-stroke lead, the South Carolina women’s golf team had its sights set on leaving Tallahassee, Fla., at No. 1 in the Florida State Match-Up, the first match of the spring season.

The team did just that, holding off No. 12 Clemson by two strokes to claim first place out of 11 teams.

The No. 14 Gamecocks bested the other six ranked teams in the field and four other challengers with a final score of 871 (+7), an accomplishment head coach Kalen Harris said was huge for building momentum for the rest of the season.

“I’m really proud of the team,” Harris said. “With Clemson coming down the stretch, it was really tight all day. I’m proud of the way they played; they played well, and it was fun to play well and battle until the end. It was nice to see everyone step up throughout the week. Everyone really contributed.”

South Carolina’s best individual performance of the weekend came from sophomore Sarah Schmelzel.

A 2013 SEC All-Freshman Team selection, Schmelzel finished in second place of 60 competitors with a weekend score of 212 (-4). Schmelzel’s second place finish was the best of her career. She also tied her personal low 18-hole score, shooting a 70 on Friday and Sunday.

“Sarah played really steady all week. She was very patient all week. She had a really solid tournament,” Harris said. “I was really happy for her.”

Throughout Sunday’s play, the Tigers slowly erased the three-stroke cushion that the Gamecocks had built. A turning point in the matchup came on the par-5 16th hole. Schmelzel birdied, and the Clemson player she was paired with bogeyed, giving South Carolina the push it needed to capture the win.

Another major factor in the Gamecocks’ victory was the play of freshman Katelyn Dambaugh. Her final round 67 set the low 18-hole score for any player in the tournament, catapulting her from a tie at No. 28 at the start of the day to a tie at 7th at the end, with a weekend score of 219 (+3).

Harris said that despite starting in the middle of the pack on Sunday, Dambaugh’s surge was crucial to the team’s triumph.

“Katelyn’s been playing really, really well,” Harris said. “She qualified really well, and I know she didn’t play as well as she’d like the first two days. But that five-under was huge for us, and I’m proud of her as well. She’s got that ability to go very low, and she got it done today. It was fun to see her have a good round. That’s the kind of golf she’s able to play.”

Three other Gamecocks also finished in the top 20. Senior Samantha Swinehart and freshman Jia Xin Yang — who competed in the tournament as an individual — finished in



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Katelyn Dambaugh finished the tournament 3 over par, including a third-round score of 67 — the best round by any player.

a tie for No. 12. Junior Justine Dreher finished the weekend tied for 16th place.

Sunday’s play was the match’s most competitive. All but one of the 11 teams set or tied their best score of the weekend in that round. South Carolina bounced back to shoot 285 on Sunday after shooting 293 on Friday and Saturday, one stroke behind Clemson for best team round score.

Although conditions were more favorable Sunday, Harris didn’t discredit her players’ performances.

“Overall, the greens were still pretty tough. Some of the greens were definitely a little tricky. In terms of the weather, it was the nicest day and probably the least challenging from the wind aspect,” Harris said. “But we capitalized, and we needed to.”

South Carolina returns to action March 7-9 when the team hosts the Darius Rucker Intercollegiate in Hilton Head, S.C., at the Long Cove Club.

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Baseball keeps winning streak alive Tuesday

Gamecocks use 3 pitchers to combine for 7-hit shutout of Presbyterian

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A double down the third-base line by Conner Bright that brought teammate Grayson Greiner home proved to be all that the No. 5 Gamecocks needed to power past Presbyterian College, as they picked up their fourth win of the season Tuesday.

South Carolina’s dominant pitching continued to impress, as the team used three pitchers to deliver a seven-hit shutout, the team’s second shutout in as many games.

Sophomore Curt Britt is a spotless 3-0 as a starting pitcher in his career at South Carolina, building off the two wins he accumulated last season.

The Gamecocks (4-0) chased Presbyterian starter Brian Kehner in the sixth inning after he allowed only one run on four hits.

First baseman Kyle Martin delivered insurance runs in the form of a three-run bomb to right field in the bottom of the seventh inning. Martin continued his scorching-hot start Tuesday night, going two-for-four with a run scored and three RBIs. The junior now has nine hits in his first 13 plate appearances.

The Blue Hose (2-1) scattered seven hits through nine innings, including two in the fourth inning with one out. A fielder’s choice and a flyout to right field ended the threat.

South Carolina will host a three-game weekend series against Eastern Kentucky beginning Friday before a series with in-state rival Clemson.

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